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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 112857-608
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/005312	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 16, 2005	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/559,071
		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 19, 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION STIMULI-RESPONSIVE HYDROGEL PRODUCTION METHOD OF STIMULI-RESPONSIVE HYDROGEL, AND POLYMER ACTUATOR USING STIMULI-RESPONSIVE HYDROGEL		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hidetoshi Ito et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.		
4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).		
5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 		
6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 		
7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 		
8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.		
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.		
14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.		
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.		
16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.		
17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.		
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20. Other items or information:								
Submission of Search Report; Form PCT/IB/338								
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE					
Total claims	- 20 =		x \$ 50					
Independent claims	- 3 =		x \$200					
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$360					
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =								
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by ½.								
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SUBMISSION OF SEARCH REPORT

Sir:

Submitted herewith is a copy of a search report associated with corresponding Japanese patent application, No. 2005-005312. The search report issued on October 26, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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